



PATENT

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:)	
Perucho and Malkhosyan)	Group Art Unit: 1655
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Serial No.: 09/375,246)	Examiner: J. Souaya
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Filed: August 16, 1999)	
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For: METHODS FOR IDENTIFYING)	
SOMATIC CHANGES IN)	
GENOMIC SEQUENCES USEFUL)	
FOR CANCER DIAGNOSIS AND)	
PROGNOSIS)	

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

DECLARATION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.132

Sir:

I, the undersigned, declare as follows:

- 1) I am the Manuel Perucho who is named as an inventor on the above-identified patent application.
- 2) I am the Manuel Perucho who is named as a coauthor with Rosa Arribas, Gabriel Capellà, Silvia Tórtola, Laia Masramon, William E. Grizzle, and Miguel A. Peinado of the publication entitled "Assessment of Genomic Damage in Colorectal Cancer by DNA Fingerprinting: Prognostic Applications," J. Clin. Oncol. 15(10):3230-3240 (1997).
- 3) Any work in the cited publication by Arribas et al. that is encompassed by the claimed invention was conceived by me and reduced to practice by me or persons acting under my direction and supervision.

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4) Miguel A. Peinado was a postdoctoral fellow in my laboratory working under my direction and supervision at the time the invention was conceived and reduced to practice. While working in my laboratory under my direction and supervision Miguel Peinado obtained and analyzed the mutation data used to determine genomic damage fractions. Miguel Peinado subsequently moved to Barcelona and continued together with Gabriel Capellà, Rosa Arribas, Silvia Tórtola and Laia Masramon to generate and summarize data obtained from these studies.

5) William E. Grizzle, is a professor in the Department of Pathology at the University of Alabama at Birmingham, who merely provided tumor samples and follow-up clinical information at my request.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that any such willful false statement may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Date: July 31, 2001.

By: _____


Manuel Perucho